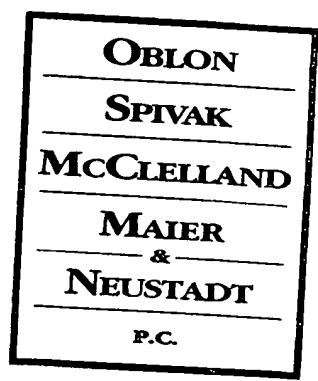


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Attn: Frank Lebron  
Refund Department

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KATHLEEN A. MORSBERGER  
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Re: Deposit Account #150030

Dear Mr. Lebron

Enclosed is a copy of a portion of our Deposit Account Statement of March, 2005. Please review the highlighted charge on Serial Number 10/525,024 in the amount of \$100.00 on fee code #1616.

Since all claims fees were paid for at the time the application was filed, the charge on our deposit account is most likely for additional monies concerning the search fee which was recently decreased from \$500.00 to \$400.00.

In accordance with the rule change of February 1, 2005, Title 37 CFR Part 1, Section 1.492 (copy attached), "the search fee for an international application entering the national stage ... is \$400.00 ..." Therefore the \$400.00 search fee (not the old fee of \$500.00) is correct and a refund should be issued for the extra \$100.00 charged on our deposit account.

Please review this application and kindly refund \$100.00 to deposit account #150030. Copies of the appropriate paperwork are attached. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Noel at (703) 412-6296. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,  
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.

*Debra J. Noel*

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Accounting Department

Refund Ref: 06/13/2005 0030022606

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